

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LA SALLE CITY COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
745 SECOND STREET, LA SALLE, IL.
7:00 P.M., Tuesday, November 5, 2013**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jeff Grove at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present- Mayor Grove, Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Duncan, Schneider

Excused Absence- Alderman Ptak, Alderman Lavieri, Alderman Herndon

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Reynolds that the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held on Tuesday, October 22, 2013 are approved and placed on file; each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote all ayes, motion carried.

PETITIONS

There were no petitions.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

Moved by Alderman Duncan and seconded by Alderman Schneider to accept and place on file the Annual Treasurer's Report for the Fiscal Year ending April 30, 2013. Each and every alderman has a copy.

Voice vote all ayes, motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

There were no communications.

OLD BUSINESS

Moved by Alderman Schneider and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to authorize, pay and place on file Invoice #19 from HR Green for the La Salle Retaining Wall totaling \$5,750.00. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Duncan, Schneider. NAY: None. Absent: Aldermen Ptak, Lavieri, Herndon

Motion carried. 5-0

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Demes to authorize and place on file Change Order #2 for La Salle Rotary Park Phase I Improvements totaling \$373.00. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Duncan, Schneider. NAY: None. Absent: Aldermen Ptak, Lavieri, Herndon

Motion carried. 5-0

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to authorize, pay and place on file Final Payment to John Pohar & Sons, Inc. for Rotary Park Phase I Improvements totaling \$78,722.35. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Duncan, Schneider. NAY: None. Absent: Aldermen Ptak, Lavieri, Herndon

Motion carried. 5-0

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Demes to authorize and place on file Change Order #3 to Gensini Excavating, Inc. for the North End Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project totaling \$15,900.00. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Duncan, Schneider. NAY: None. Absent: Aldermen Ptak, Lavieri, Herndon

Motion carried. 5-0

Moved by Alderman Duncan and seconded by Alderman Schneider to authorize and place on file Change Order #4 to Gensini Excavating, Inc. for the North End Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project totaling \$ 4,075.18. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Duncan, Schneider. NAY: None. Absent: Aldermen Ptak, Lavieri, Herndon

Motion carried. 5-0

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Demes to authorize and place on file Change Order #5 to Gensini Excavating, Inc. for the North End Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project totaling \$31,620.00 Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Duncan, Schneider. NAY: None. Absent: Aldermen Ptak, Lavieri, Herndon

Motion carried. 5-0

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Schneider to authorize, pay and place on file Pay Estimate #3 to Gensini Excavating, Inc. for the North End Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project totaling \$177,172.83. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Duncan, Schneider. NAY: None. Absent: Aldermen Ptak, Lavieri, Herndon

Motion carried. 5-0

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to authorize, pay and place on file Pay Estimate #2 from Universal Asphalt & Excavating for the 2013 Sidewalk Program totaling \$ 46,060.28. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Duncan, Schneider. NAY: None. Absent: Aldermen Ptak, Lavieri, Herndon

Motion carried. 5-0

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Demes to authorize, pay and place on file Pay Estimate #1 from Jim George and Sons for the 2013 La Salle Surface Treatment Program totaling \$57,506.75. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Duncan, Schneider. NAY: None. Absent: Aldermen Ptak, Lavieri, Herndon

Motion carried. 5-0

NEW BUSINESS

Jeff Bumgarner explained due to the floods and normal wear and tear to the Chlorine Contact Tank near the old Wastewater Treatment Plant, rehabilitation is needed. At this time the council's approval is needed to secure engineering services at a cost of \$4,500 and go out for bid on the metal work. Metal work will begin now, with resurfacing beginning in the spring. Don Bixby will be the representative from Chamlin and Associates.

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Bacidore to move forward with action regarding the Chlorine Contact Tank Rehabilitation metal work project bidding, engineering and related matters. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Duncan, Schneider. NAY: None. Absent: Aldermen Ptak, Lavieri, Herndon

Motion carried. 5-0

Mayor Grove explained the second OSLAD grant pertaining to the Rotary Park Phase II development must be completed by December 31, 2014. In order to move forward council approval is needed to initiate an engineering services agreement to initiate Phase II development of Rotary Park at \$105,500.

In addition, a second agreement is needed for off-site roadway improvements which address the county highway department's requirement to install a right and left turn lane and staging areas. Approval was given during Phase I to delay implementation of the off-site roadway improvements until Phase II. At this time, the proposed engineering agreement only includes design, permitting and bidding allowing the City time to secure funding prior to the construction phase. Mayor Grove indicated potential revenue sources could be MFT funds or TIF.

Moved by Alderman Schneider and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to authorize an engineering agreement between the City of La Salle and RHMG, Inc. to initiate Phase II Development of Rotary Park. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Mayor Grove, Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Duncan, Schneider. NAY: None. Absent: Aldermen Ptak, Lavieri, Herndon

Motion carried. 5-0

Moved by Alderman Schneider and seconded by Alderman Demes to authorize an engineering agreement between the City of La Salle and RHMG to initiate design, permitting and bidding aspects of the OSLAD grant regarding off-site roadway improvements. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Duncan, Schneider. NAY: None. Absent: Aldermen Ptak, Lavieri, Herndon

Motion carried. 5-0

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to accept the recommendation of the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee to deny the request to place signage on Oak Ridge Drive.

ROLL CALL: AYE Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Duncan, Schneider. NAY: None. Absent: Aldermen Ptak, Lavieri, Herndon

Motion carried. 5-0

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Demes to refer the request for a handicapped parking sign and a Resident Only Parking sign at 1536 La Harpe and related matters to the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee.

Voice vote all ayes, motion carried.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

Attorney McPhedran advised the council to refer the issue regarding potential amendments to ordinances pertaining to the parking of trucks and other vehicles in residential and herein commercial areas of the City of La Salle to the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee in order to give Aldermen and the public an opportunity to weigh in on the issue.

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Schneider to refer the consideration of potential amendments to ordinances pertaining to the parking of trucks and other vehicles in residential and herein commercial areas of the City of La Salle to the Streets, Alleys and Traffic committee.

Voice vote all ayes, motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Schneider to accept **Ordinance 2460** authorizing the City of La Salle, through it's representatives, to enter into contract with the United States Department of Agriculture regarding the receipt of grant money for an equipped K-9 vehicle and related matters. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Duncan, NAYS: None. Absent: Alderman Ptak, Alderman Lavieri, Alderman Herndon

Motion carried. 5-0

Ordinance No. 2460: An ordinance authorizing the City of La Salle, through it's representatives, to enter into contract with the United States Department of Agriculture regarding the receipt of grant money for an equipped K-9 vehicle and related matters.

Chief Uranich explained this grant pays for 55% of total costs or approximately \$22,000 of the \$42,000 overall cost. However, a generous anonymous donor has offered to pay the remaining balance therefore funding the purchase at 100%. Mayor Grove thanked Chief Uranich for applying for this grant and asked him to extend the City's appreciation

to the donor. Attorney McPhedran also recognized Chief Uranich for his work on this grant.

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Demes to accept **Ordinance No. 2461** authorizing a 15 Minute Parking sign at 848 First Street and related matters. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Duncan, NAYS: None. Absent: Alderman Ptak, Alderman Lavieri, Alderman Herndon

Motion carried. 5-0

Ordinance No. 2461: An ordinance authorizing a 15 Minute Parking sign at 848 First Street and related matters

COMMENTS

Moved by Alderman Duncan and seconded by Alderman Schneider to allow Scott Craft to address the council.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Scott Craft resides at 436 Roosevelt Road and seeks the council's permission to park vehicles in the alley behind his home without penalty. In conversations with City Engineer Mike Furlan, Mr. Craft was informed the alley was vacated in 1927.

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Schneider to refer the issue presented by Scott Craft regarding parking of vehicles in the alley behind 436 Roosevelt Road to the Streets, Alleys and Traffic committee.

Voice vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Alderman Bacidore announced that the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee will meet regarding the issues referred to the Committee this evening on Tuesday, November 19, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

No other public comments were made.

Don Aleksy reminded everyone a community meeting regarding the Comprehensive Plan will be held at LP High School on November 14, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Aleksy also informed everyone that St. Roch's renovations will be open for public viewing during an Open House on December 1, 2013 with proceeds going to Cops 4 Cancer and on December 8, 2013 sponsored by St. Margaret's.

Mike Furlan informed the council that the Sidewalk Program will finish up on November 7, 2013.

Mayor Grove thanked Don Aleksy for submitting LPAC to be considered for the Governor's Hometown Award. The LPAC group was recognized as a finalist. Today,

the six finalists met in Springfield for the announcement of the Governor's Cup. LPAC did not receive the cup, but it was a proud day for the City. The City was given a sign recognizing this honor and will be placed at City Hall.

Moved by Alderman Duncan and seconded by Alderman Demes to enter into Executive Session regarding pending and/or potential imminent litigation and related matters: Collective bargaining with FOP and related matters, and acquisition and/or sale of city real estate and related matters and the employment, appointment, performance and/or compensation of non-union personnel and related matters pursuant to the Open Meetings Act including 5-ILCS 120 Section 2(c)1-3,5,6,and 11 thereof.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Duncan, NAYS: None.

Absent: Alderman Ptak, Alderman Lavieri, Alderman Herndon

Motion carried. 5-0

Entered Executive Session at 7:40 p.m.

Moved by Alderman Duncan and seconded by Alderman Reynolds to exit Executive Session and reconvene the regular Council meeting.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Duncan, NAYS: None.

Absent: Alderman Ptak, Alderman Lavieri, Alderman Herndon

Motion carried. 5-0

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Moved by Alderman Schneider and seconded by Alderman Duncan that bills submitted of \$457,642.70 (Total Payroll \$157,045.84, Bills to be Paid \$49,251.41, Total Bills Paid \$251,345.45) be accepted, paid and placed on file. Each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mayor Grove, Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Duncan, NAYS: None. Absent: Alderman Ptak, Alderman Lavieri, Alderman Herndon

Motion carried. 6-0

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Bacidore to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote, all ayes: motion is carried.

ADJOURNED 9:35 p.m.

Carrie Brown, City Clerk